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**Re: REQUEST TO MODIFY PROGRESS REPORTING PERIOD
THE PAINT WORKS, GIBBSBORO, NEW JERSEY**

Dear Ms. Green:

The Sherwin-Williams Company (Sherwin-Williams) is currently providing one progress report on a biweekly basis to U.S. EPA Removal Action Branch which covers work performed under the following:

1. Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) Index No. II CERCLA 02-99-2037 dated 30 September 1999; and
2. Seep Area Expedite Notice (Expedite Notice) dated 29 April 2002 (Notice to Responsible Party under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986).

As the majority of the work required by U.S. EPA Removal Action Branch under the AOC and Expedite Notice is now complete, and current activities are minimal, Sherwin-Williams is requesting to submit future progress reports on a monthly basis. The status of work under the AOC and Expedite Notice is provided below.

The AOC Statement of Work objective was to limit public access from the contaminated stream and surrounding soils in order to reduce the threat of direct contact. The work area in the AOC was limited to areas south and west of Clementon Road. Work performed by Sherwin-Williams included sampling along Hilliard Creek, sampling of Kirkwood Lake residential properties, erection of fences, posting of warning signs, installation of the security system at the Wildlife Refuge, and ongoing inspection and maintenance of the fences. This work has been complete with the exception of a final report for Kirkwood Lake residences, completion of the security system at the Wildlife Refuge, and ongoing fence inspections and maintenance.

On 29 April 2002, the U.S. EPA issued an Expedite Notice to address free product in the Seep Area at The Paint Works. A Work Plan dated 10 March 2003, and later

amended on 14 January 2004 to include Indoor Air Quality sampling along U.S. Avenue, was approved by the U.S. EPA. Although progress reporting is not required in the Expedited Notice, Sherwin-Williams did state in the Work Plan that biweekly reports would be provided. At this time, the work required under the Expedited Notice is nearly complete. The only tasks remaining are the performance of Indoor Air Quality sampling and finalization of the Seep Area report.

Since the requirements of the AOC are nearly complete, and the Seep Area activities are minimal, we are requesting to submit future progress reports on a monthly basis. If significant events occur in the future, we will contact you immediately via phone or email, as we have done in the past.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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